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Docket No.: 50395-068

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Toshiki TARU, et al.

Serial No.: 09/622,827

Filed: August 24, 2000

For: FURNACE AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL FIBER WIRE DRAWING

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication in the Advisory Action dated April 17, 2003 that the Amendment submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116 on March 31, 2003 has been entered and overcame the imposed rejections. Submitted herewith are formal drawings as required by the Examiner.

Based upon the foregoing, it should be apparent that this application is in clear condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, respectfully solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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